THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) An amount of Rs. 100 crores (Rs. 50 crores loan and Rs. 50 crores grant) has been sanctioned to the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) from Urban Development Fund for construction and strengthening of roads in Delhi.

No allocations have been made by this Ministry to any other Municipal Corporation for this purpose.

(c) The MCD has incurred a total expenditure of Rs. 8.52 crores till March, 2002.

Waiting for allotment of DDA houses

2056. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
DR. ABRAR AHMED:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that people are waiting for more than 25 years for allotment of houses under different schemes of DDA;

(b) if so, the action taken by Government to ensure that all people in the waiting list get houses early;

(c) whether new areas are being developed by DDA to allot houses to people in the waiting list; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) The DDA has reported that the registrants under the New Pattern Registration Scheme, 1979 are still waiting for allotment of LIG/MIG flats.

Similarly, there are also wait-listed registrants under the Ambedkar Awas Yojana, 1989 that was formulated to make up the deficiency of 25% of SC/ST registrants of New Pattern Registration Scheme, 1979.

Besides the above two housing schemes, registrants are also waiting for allotment under another Housing Scheme, known as Janta Housing Registration Scheme, 1996.

(b) to (d) Presently, 24,000 houses of various categories are under construction in newly developed areas like Dwarka, Rohini, Narela and Vasant Kunj with a view to ensure that the waiting lists under New Pattern Registration Scheme, 1979; Ambedkar Awas Yojana, 1989; and Janta Housing Registration Scheme, 1996, are cleared by March 2005.

ACP for clerical grade employees of GoIP, Minto Road

2057. SHRI S.R. BOMMAI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that claims of staff of clerical cadre of Government of India Press, Minto Road, New Delhi for grant of ACP have been overlooked by the DPC held during the period from November, 2001 to March, 2002; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) and (b) No, Sir. The claims of eligible officials of the clerical cadre in the Government of India Press, Minto Road, New Delhi for grant of financial upgradation under the Assured Career Progression Scheme have not been overlooked by the Departmental Promotion Committee during the period from November, 2001 to March, 2002.

Filling up of ponds, lakes etc. for construction purpose

†2058. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that land is being acquired for construction of houses, shops, markets, etc. in the cities and metropolitan cities by filling up old ponds, lakes etc. with waste materials;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.